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In re application of: Kutka et al

Serial No.: 09/423,454

GROUP ART UNIT: 2613

Filed: November 8, 1999

EXAMINER: Allen C. Wong

For: "METHOD AND ARRANGEMENT FOR
ENCODING AND DECODING A DIGITIZED..."

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.
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TOTAL CLAIMS	*26	MINUS	**26	X	() X 9.00 () X 18.00	
INDEP. CLAIMS	*4	MINUS	4	X	() X 42.00 () X 84.00	
Application amended to contain any multiple dependent claims not previously paid for.				() YES () NO	() \$140.00 () \$280.00 ONE TIME	
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The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment to account No. 501519. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 19, 2003 ("OA"), please
10 amend the above-identified application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which
begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

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